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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Sam Kavanagh. I am a classical musician transitioning to a career as a solicitor. I am delighted to apply for a position as a trainee solicitor with Byrne Wallace LLP.

I have already passed all the FE1s and I intend to attend the PPC at Blackhall in 2022. In the interim I have taken on a legal internship with Daly, Lynch, Crowe and Morris where I have been gaining valuable insights into the world of family law, immigration law and general litigation.

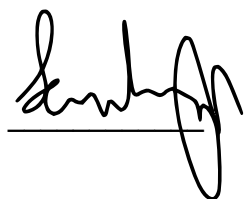
My background as a musician has afforded me a unique perspective in my law studies thus far, and a variety of transferable skills which I look forward to bringing to the Byrne Wallace team. In 2015 I established The Lalala Choir, a community music project that provides a space for people who had no prior music experience to learn how to sing, play instruments and compose their own music through participative decision-making processes. In addition to leading the rehearsals and performances, I was responsible for the administrative tasks such as scheduling, budgeting, recruitment and public engagement.

As I became more established, I was able to apply these skills to consultation roles with a number of institutions in Dublin, including Dublin City Council, RTÉ, the HSE and the National Concert Hall. Working with these organisations sparked an interest in the law which I pursued enthusiastically through an intense period of self-led study, culminating in the successful completion of all eight FE1s.

I am now looking to take the next step of embarking on a traineeship. Having identified Byrne Wallace LLP as a leading full-service firm in Dublin, I am delighted to submit my application.

I have included my CV for your attention, and I thank you for your consideration.

Kind Regards,



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